Video Meeting Format Committee July 2016

The agenda for the committee meeting was set to review the opening announcements that the committee has put together during the June meeting. We agreed that what we composed was a work in progress that we would continue to tweak.

One member submitted 2 additional items for the committee to consider during July. That was part of our agenda, in addition to going to the next phase of beginning to identify sources for actors who might be interested in participating in the filming of our production.

We began the review of the additional items with 2 other committee members in attendance who missed the June conference call. This actually built up into an important addition to the opening announcements.

The original form was decided to be a checklist of items that were important for the rooms to use; however, adhering to the concepts embodied in Unity Step 4, we structured the document to be an ala carte listing, thereby allowing the individual groups to select which items would be relevant to each group.

The addition of the other members was a very positive influence for a greatly improved opening announcement document. We added so additional items, but we now had them broken down into 3 categories

- 1. Items that are directly related to the Guidance Code and should be a mandatory part of the opening announcements.
- Items that should be included that reinforce important principles of Gamblers Anonymous
- 3. Items that underscored the structure of the room

The final version of the document will be organized it this order, with complete explanations as to why each segment is important. We have tabled our other objective for the July meeting, until the August meeting.

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